

DARK TOBACCO MEN MEET IN CHARLOTTE

Large Turnout of Farmers to Hear Speeches Urging Compact Organization.

ASKED TO PLEDGE CROPS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BUREKA MILLS, Va., October 7.—The Dark Tobacco Growers' Association, of Charlotte county, held an important meeting at the courthouse today. Much business of vital interest to the association was transacted.

Mr. E. T. Bondurant, the vice-president of the association of Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky, in a short but strong speech, urged the farmers to pledge their tobacco to the association, and showed where the association had greatly raised the price of tobacco.

Mr. Bondurant's speech was well received. At the conclusion of his address he introduced Congressman H. D. Flood, who spoke for over an hour. Mr. Flood, in a vigorous and able speech along lines usually followed by speakers upon this subject. He said, in part:

"The farmers have grown and become rich, corporations and trusts have amassed great fortunes, and most of them at the expense of the farmer. They have remained the 'hewers of wood and drawers of water.' They can shake off these shackles, and become independent, if they but act and stand together. They must not act and stand apart upon their knees. They must not depend upon legislation, but must act for themselves. Let the farmers fix a fair valuation upon their tobacco, and they will get it. If the farmer sits idly by and lets trusts rob him, he has nobody to blame but himself. The tobacco is growing every year. The supply is less than the demand."

Mr. Flood made the boast that he kept the American Tobacco Company out of the greatest tobacco trust in the country—from being chartered in Virginia. Organization, he said, should be the watchword of the farmers.

ROY HALE'S TRIAL DEFERRED.

Case Will Come Up in January, When He Is to Be Tried.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BRISTOL, Va., October 7.—The case of Royce Hale, who has been indicted for the murder of Irby Davis, who was shot to death in his own home in Johnson City last winter, was called in the Circuit Court at Jonesboro today, but was continued until the January term, neither side being ready.

Roy Hale is a younger brother of Ack Hale, who was recently tried in the Circuit Court at Blountville on the charge of having criminally assaulted and murdered Lillie Davis, a sister of Irby Davis. Since a mistrial was entered in the Ack Hale case, the two brothers will both be tried next January.

The prosecution is said to have discovered damaging evidence against Ack Hale since his case was heard at Blountville ten days ago.

AFFAIRS IN AMELIA.

To Try Working Roads by Contract as Experiment.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
AMELIA, Va., October 7.—The county Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting here Saturday. Payments of claims and ordering bridge construction and repairs occupied the greater part of the session. W. C. Foster, the superintendent of roads and bridges, was instructed to cease work with the road machine, and bring in the six heavy mules and have them ready for sale at public auction here on the first of November. A part of the road force will be retained and kept steadily at work opening drains and repairing holes, and some work of this kind will be let by contract, with a

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Wednesday Morning, Oct. 9th,
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THE SAME EVENING, AT 8 O'CLOCK, IN THE AUDITORIUM, THERE WILL BE A MASS-MEETING.

Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri,
Will Preside

and addresses will be delivered by BISHOP PETERKIN, of West Virginia; BISHOP GREER, of New York and GEORGE WHARTON PEPER, Esq., of Philadelphia.

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view to determining which is the best and cheapest system.

The county school board, at its last session, determined to send a copy of the Virginia Educational Journal to every school trustee and officer and every teacher, both white and colored, in the county during this session, the subscriptions being paid from the school funds. Every member of the board except one voted for this measure.

Most of the tobacco and corn has been cut. Wheat seeding will commence this week.

FINE ESTATE SOLD.

Historic Place in Loudoun Sold to Pittsburgh Woman.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LEESBURG, Va., October 7.—Alfred Stanton has sold the Belmont estate, comprising over 1,000 acres, lying near Leesburg, to Mrs. Nancy A. Ferguson, a wealthy resident of Pittsburgh. The price paid was \$38,000.

The mansion house, which is a fine type of colonial architecture, was built by Colonel Ludwell Lee. For many years it belonged to the Mercer family, and was the home of the late Charles Fenton Mercer, of Loudoun, a former United States Congressman from Virginia.

WILLING TO SERVE TERM.

BUT COUNSEL WILL APPEAR

HAMPTON, Va., October 7.—Julian Pavlinic, the Austrian wife murderer, who was sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary in the Elizabeth City county Circuit Court last week, has announced to his attorneys that he will serve the term. His counsel have, however, already noted an appeal to the Supreme Court for a new trial, and it is said that they will disregard the wishes of their client to serve the term, and procure a third trial for him.

Livery Stable Burned.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WOODSTOCK, Va., October 7.—The large livery stable belonging to Mr. Luther Grove, located in the center of the town of Edinburg, was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. It is supposed the building caught in the hay mow, which was practically filled with hay at the time. All of the stock was removed, but the loss will amount to \$2,000, partly covered by insurance.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS MEET IN NORFOLK

Opening Last Night of Centennial Convolve of the Grand Chapter.

VERY LARGE ATTENDANCE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, Va., October 7.—The largest gathering of Masons ever held in Norfolk assembled to-night at the Masonic Temple.

It was the centennial grand annual convolve of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter. In attendance there were several thousand members from all over the State, the Richmond Chapter alone sending perhaps 600 representatives. The convolve is usually held in Richmond, but is held in Norfolk this year in commemoration of the holding here of the first convolve.

Grand High Priest Most Excellent R. M. Ferguson, of Bristol, made his annual address. All of the ceremonies were of the most impressive nature.

Following are the officers of the grand chapter:

Most Excellent R. M. Ferguson, of Bristol, grand high priest; Right Excellent John M. Fisher, of Alexandria, grand king; Right Excellent William B. McChesney, of Staunton, grand scribe; Most Excellent George W. Poe, of Richmond, grand treasurer; Right Excellent James B. Blanks, of Petersburg, grand master and officer and Guy, of Norfolk, grand captain of hosts; Excellent William S. Matthews, of Big Stone Gap, grand principal sojourner; Excellent Stanley W. Martin, of Danville, grand royal arch captain; Excellent Sol Cutcheon, of Richmond, grand master of third val; Excellent J. J. English, Jr., deputy grand treasurer; Excellent Charles A. Nesbit, of Richmond, deputy grand secretary; Companion the Rev. James R. Van Horn, of Covington, grand chaplain; Companion William Krause, of Richmond, grand marshal; Companion James A. Pampin, of Richmond, grand tiler; Most Excellent W. P. Hubbard, of Lynchburg, grand lecturer; Most Excellent James M. Alexander, of Alexandria, assistant grand lecturer.

The day following the sessions of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter the Grand Commander of Knights Templars of Virginia will meet at the Masonic Temple, Norfolk. The officers of the commandery are: Thomas Nottingham, of Norfolk, grand commander; the Rev. F. T. McFadden, of Richmond, grand commander; W. C. Stephenson, of Roanoke, grand generalissimo; J. W. Taylor, of Danville, grand chaplain-general.

AMELIA MUST GIVE BAIL.

Otherwise She Will Be Held Till Saturday—Father Out on Bail.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., October 7.—Following the arrest of Jacob Weiss, who was held in the Alexandria county jail in connection with the shooting of John W. Mullen, yesterday morning on \$1,000 bond, Commonwealth Attorney Mackey announced to-day that unless Amelia Weiss could furnish bail she would be held a prisoner until Saturday, when there will be a preliminary hearing.

Miss Weiss still says that Mullen was shot by a negro, who afterward dragged her into the woods. The county authorities, however, are certain the shooting was done by a member of the Weiss family.

Mr. Mackey has obtained the slouch hat said to have been worn by Jacob Weiss when witnesses allege they saw him coming from the scene of the shooting.

SUFFOLK TO HAVE DAILY.

Herald Company Recently Chartered.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SUFFOLK, Va., October 7.—Suffolk is to have a daily newspaper. A company has been formed in the last few days to take over the plant of the Herald, increase the capacity of the plant and publish a daily paper as well as the weekly paper.

Mr. W. J. Kendrick, the able editor of the Suffolk Herald, is the president of the new company, and will continue as editor of both papers.

Last week a charter was granted to the Suffolk Herald Company by the State Corporation Commission. J. Kendrick, president; C. G. Ehl, business manager; J. C. Holladay, secretary and treasurer, and Col. E. E. Holland and J. W. Burgess, directors.

RICHMOND MAN WITNESS.

Mr. Mahle Appears for Mother in Suit for Divorce.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 7.—Mr. Charles Mahle, an oil dealer of Richmond, was the star witness in an interesting divorce case here to-day, which he testified to in the case of Henry Schnepfe, who is Mr. Mahle's godfather, stepfather and uncle. Mr. Schnepfe is suing her husband, John Schnepfe, for divorce. Mr. Mahle is the son of Mrs. Schnepfe by her first husband and the first wife of Mr. Schnepfe was a sister of the present Mrs. Schnepfe. Mr. Schnepfe is reputed to be very wealthy, and the divorce suit, which has been on trial over a week, has attracted much attention.

SHOT WITH OWN PISTOL.

Steward, White Drunk, Gets Captain's Pistol and Shoots Him.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., October 7.—William Parkinson, steward on a small steamer, was struck on board his vessel in Back River last night, shooting and seriously wounding Captain Albert Evans, and then shot himself with a pistol. With the former's revolver, Parkinson had been drinking, and he went on the warpath when ordered by the captain to make less noise. After the shooting the steward was arrested and will be held for trial in the York county court.

NEGRO WOMAN KILLS MAN.

Cora Brown Fatally Stabs Her Sister's Husband.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BRISTOL, Va., October 7.—Cora Brown, a mulatto from Chattanooga, stabbed her brother-in-law, Mel Saunders, to death in his own home here last night, following a quarrel in which she and Saunders were sided against the husband. She thrust the stiletto into Saunders' left breast to a depth of five inches, piercing the lung and severing the heart from which he died in a few minutes.

The Brown woman admits killing Saunders. The police anticipate that the extraordinary trial will reveal a motive, and probably a preconcerted arrangement between the two women to kill Saunders.

HEAVY FINE AND JAIL FOR RUNNING SPEAK-EASY.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., October 7.—Richard Bayton was indicted in Mid-dlesex county for keeping a speak-easy and was fined \$100, to which Judge Jones, of the Middlesex Court, added sixty days' imprisonment in jail, and a capias was entered for Bayton's arrest and imprisonment.

Stop Work on Railroad.

BRISTOL, Va., October 7.—The Southern Railway has ordered work suspended on the Richmond and Roanoke road, the new line that is being built from Moccasin Gap, Va., through East

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"For several months after the birth of my child, I suffered terribly from a general breakdown in health. I was in bed for three months, and after that was able to be up only part of the time. I was sick all over, being pale, weak and thin. My appetite was gone, and my head ached most of the time. Oftentimes there seemed to be a rush of blood to my head, and I would faint away. I was very nervous, and was not strong enough to do any work."

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"The road will be completed next year," said John B. Newton, vice-president and general manager of the Virginia and Southwestern, one of the Southern's properties. The reason assigned for the delay is the lack of funds, and the tightness of the money market.

YOUNG WOMAN DESPONDENT.

ENDS LIFE WITH POISON

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, Va., October 7.—Lessie C. Landrum, 21 years old, who was taken to the hospital Saturday, is dead. She was despondent over news from her home in Tennessee that her mother had become paralytic, and had written to her of the possibility of her death.

She will be buried here by friends.

Daughters to Meet.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, Va., October 7.—Next Friday the Daughters of the American Revolution will convene here in annual congress. The sessions will be held at the Christ Church parish house, Freemason Street.

Sponsor and Maid.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., October 7.—Miss Mamie S. Sparks, of Culpeper county, has been named as sponsor and Miss Mary L. Vail, of the same county, as maid of honor, from the Eight Congressional District to the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans at Norfolk to begin October 23d.

APPEAL IN RATE CASES HEARD.

Judge Pritchard Takes Matter Under Adjudication.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ASTORIA, Ore., October 7.—United States Judge Pritchard on Saturday heard argument of counsel on the exceptions by the State Corporation Commission to the rulings of Judge W. J. Montgomery, standing master, who is taking evidence in the Southern Railway rate case, and at the close of the argument took the matter under consideration, with the probability of a decision at an early date.

Judge J. E. Shepherd and Hon. W. R. Woodward, for the State, and W. H. Bushee, for the railway, covered the essential features of technical law and the facts involved. General Counsel Alfred P. Thom, of the Southern Railway, made a lengthy argument.

BIG FIRE IN WILMINGTON.

Plant of Hannah Box Shook Company and Several Dwellings Burn.

WILMINGTON, N. C., October 7.—The plant of the Hannah Box Shook Company, in this city, largely owned by Henry O. Riley, of Philadelphia, and Walter and Thomas Hannah, of this city, was destroyed by fire to-day, entailing a loss variously estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000, upon which there was only \$25,000 insurance. When small dwellings, adjoining the plant, were also burned.

While responding to an alarm on account of the fire a hose reel wagon company of the local department arrived on a down hill run and two horses were so badly injured by sharp contact with a telegraph pole that the horses were killed, and the wagon was wrecked, and Foreman Candy and one of four men on the vehicle were badly injured.

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HEARING APPEALS WILL BEGIN TO-DAY

Many Cases from the Seventh Circuit Before the North Carolina Supreme Court.

MORE MONEY FOR SCHOOLS

RALEIGH, N. C., October 7.—The State Supreme Court will to-morrow begin the hearing of appeals from the Seventh Judicial District. There are ten of these cases, as follows: Brick vs. Railroad, from Robeson county; Dew vs. Pyke, Brunswick; Wescott vs. Smith, Brunswick; Oldham vs. Reiger, Brunswick; McCaskill vs. Walker, Robeson; Newton vs. Railroad, Robeson; McIntyre vs. Freator, Robeson; Ross vs. Railroad, Robeson; Beasley vs. Railroad, Cumberland; Railroad vs. Gossier, Brunswick.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. J. Joyner returned this morning from Lincoln county, where he delivered five educational addresses last week, concluding the series at Lincolnton Saturday. The county now has seven local tax districts for the improvement of schools, and three others are sure to be carried at approaching elections. He found the people deeply interested in improvement in school conditions, and Superintendent G. T. Heffner evidently doing a fine work among the schools.

A charter was issued to-day for the Fayette Cigar Company, of Fayetteville, for conducting a tobacco and general merchandise store; capital, \$5,000, by John Underwood, A. L. McCaskill, and others.

Another charter is to the Grace Mills, Incorporated, of Salisbury; capital, \$50,000 authorized and \$15,000 subscribed, by F. L. Robbins, J. P. Gibson, and others, for operating cotton mills. There is also a charter for the Olive Presbyterian Church, of Burlington, it being chartered by negroes.

Preparations for the State Fair are going forward apace, and Secretary Rogers is highly gratified with the outlook, not only for immense crowds, but for the high standard of the fair exhibits. The address by William J. Bryan on Thursday, October 17th, preceded on Wednesday by the elaborate ceremony of the laying of the cornerstone for the North Carolina Grand Lodge Masonic Temple, will be features of the week. The State convention of North Carolina postmasters will be in session Tuesday and Wednesday.

NOT FINDING HER FRIENDS.

MISS SHORES RETURNS HOME

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, Va., October 7.—Miss Cora Shores, the young lady who "mysteriously" disappeared from her home in Jonesville, N. C., and for whom the Norfolk police have been searching, has been found.

Miss Shores left her home to visit relatives here, but when she arrived in the city she was unable to locate them. After vainly trying to find them for some time, she returned home, and is well and happy.

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